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ROOSEVELT TO
PUBLIC PRINTER

Declared if New Rules of Spelling Popular They Would Be Continued

HIS OPINION OF THE CHANGES

Declares There is No Intention of
Doing Anything Sudden or
Violent, But Wishes to
Make Language Less
Foolish and
Fantastic

Of the slight changes in the spelling of the hundred words, some wholly new words are proposed, others the changes will become permanent without any reference to what public officials or individual private citizens may feel. They do not ultimately meet with approval, they will be dropped, and that is all that is about it.

They represent nothing in the world but a very elegant, and of the most useful

movement which has made agriculture implement makers and farmers write "plow" instead of "plough," which has made most Americans write "honor" without the somewhat absurd superfluous "u" and which is even now making recent writers "program" without the "me;" just all people who speak English now write "has," "set," "dino," "sum" and "is," instead of

the Elizabethan motto, "ut summe summe" and "fresche" which makes a write "public" "summe" were, "fantasy" and "wagon" instead of the "public al manac," "vera," "phantasy" and "waggon."

"It is not an attack on the language of Shakespeare and Milton, because it is in some instances a going back to the forms they used, and in others merely the extension of changes which, as regards other words, have taken place since their time."

It is not an attempt to do anything far-reaching or sudden or violent, or, in deed, anything very great at all. It is merely an attempt to cast what slight weight can properly be cast on the side of the popular forces which are endeavoring to make our nation a little better.

foolish and fantastic.
"Sincerely yours,
"THEODORE ROOSEVELT."
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THE MYSTERY IN REGARD TO THE MARIETTE PROFOUND

NEW YORK, September 2.—The mystery connected with the sailing of the steamer Mariette from Wilmington, Del., carrying munitions for some West Indian insurrection, remains unsolved. The Mariette, which has been recently renamed the King Charles, after loading a large quantity of munitions, sailed

investigation, returned yesterday with little more information than he had when he started.

**PURSUING TWO NEGROES
DETERMINED ON LYNCHING**

SILVERSPRING, L.A., September 7.—In a duel with Cole and Frank Howard negroes, in the public road at Mountain L.A., today, Steve Hart, a merchant of

BISHOP M'CABE EXPECTED
TO RESIGN COMMITTEE

NEW YORK, September 2.—Bishop McManus' resignation from the International Brotherhood of Police Officers Committee is generally expected this week. It was reported last night that the bishop had been asked to serve as a director by the management of one of the two companies whose administration tickets, in his letter to ex-Judge Parsons, he urges the